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Epiroc presents 6th Sense, a game changer for smarter mining and infrastructure operations

Stockholm, Sweden: Epiroc, a leading productivity partner for the mining and infrastructure industries, presents 6th Sense, a new approach that combines digitalization and automation to boost customers' performance.

There is a growing need for the mining and infrastructure industries to look to digital technologies to enhance productivity, sustainability and safety. 6th Sense is the Epiroc way to optimize customers' processes by connecting machines, systems and people using automation, information management and system integration. With 6th Sense comes a great focus on system connectivity, using interoperability to unlock the full potential of automation for production gains at lower operating costs.

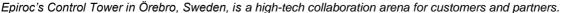
"6th Sense is a formula we have developed for getting the right solutions in place and achieving operational excellence in mining and infrastructure operations," said Helena Hedblom, Senior Executive Vice President Mining and Infrastructure. "The name 6th Sense implies that the solution brings something extra and that is just what it does, providing a significant advantage such as track and respond to real-time working conditions and equipment needs."

One example of Epiroc's focus on automated and productivity-enhancing solutions comes from the Hollinger mine in Timmins, Canada. Together with long-term partner Newmont Goldcorp, Epiroc has put the world's first fully autonomous SmartROC D65 surface drill rig in production. The operator can be positioned remotely and perform other tasks while the drill rig completes a full drill pattern autonomously. Besides increased operator safety, this boosts productivity thanks to Global Navigation Satellite System accuracy, non-stop operations and less wear and tear on drilling tools, reducing production costs and improving reliability.

Another example is the new Teleremote e-tramming option for Epiroc's popular range of Simba long-hole underground drill rigs. The automation package includes functionalities to monitor, plan and automate drilling operations from onboard the rig or from a remote location. Not only is the tramming process faster and simpler, the e-tramming function also provides a safer work environment and reduces variability in performance.

"The 6th Sense approach is based on our customers' needs for implementing digitalization, automation and new process integrations. We are continuously rolling out new innovative features, always with the customers' needs in mind," Helena Hedblom said.





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